

## Claims

- [1] A quantum dot light-emitting diode comprising a pair of top and bottom electrodes and a quantum dot light-emitting layer provided between the electrodes wherein an inorganic electron transport layer is formed between the quantum dot light-emitting layer and the top electrode.
- [2] The quantum dot light-emitting diode according to claim 1, wherein the diode comprises an anode, a hole transport layer, a quantum dot light-emitting layer, an inorganic electron transport layer and a cathode formed in this order on a substrate.
- [3] The quantum dot light-emitting diode according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the inorganic electron transport layer is made of an oxide selected from the group consisting of  $\text{TiO}_2$ ,  $\text{ZnO}$ ,  $\text{SiO}_2$ ,  $\text{SnO}_2$ ,  $\text{WO}_3$ ,  $\text{Ta}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{BaTiO}_3$ ,  $\text{BaZrO}_3$ ,  $\text{ZrO}_2$ ,  $\text{HfO}_2$ ,  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3$  and  $\text{ZrSiO}_4$ ; the nitride  $\text{Si}_3\text{N}_4$ ; or a semiconductor compound selected from the group consisting of  $\text{CdS}$ ,  $\text{ZnSe}$  and  $\text{ZnS}$ .
- [4] The quantum dot light-emitting diode according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the quantum dot light-emitting layer is made of a material selected from the group consisting of: Group II-VI compound semiconductor nanocrystals, including  $\text{CdS}$ ,  $\text{CdSe}$ ,  $\text{CdTe}$ ,  $\text{ZnS}$ ,  $\text{ZnSe}$ ,  $\text{ZnTe}$ ,  $\text{HgS}$ ,  $\text{HgSe}$  and  $\text{HgTe}$ ; Group III-V compound semiconductor nanocrystals, including  $\text{GaN}$ ,  $\text{GaP}$ ,  $\text{GaAs}$ ,  $\text{InP}$  and  $\text{InAs}$ ;  $\text{PbS}$ ;  $\text{PbSe}$ ;  $\text{PbTe}$ ;  $\text{CdSe/ZnS}$ ;  $\text{CdS/ZnSe}$ ; and  $\text{InP/ZnS}$ .
- [5] The quantum dot light-emitting diode according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the inorganic electron transport layer is formed by a solution coating process selected from the group consisting of sol-gel coating, spin coating, printing, casting and spraying, or a vapor coating process selected from the group consisting of chemical vapor deposition (CVD), sputtering, e-beam evaporation and vacuum deposition.
- [6] The quantum dot light-emitting diode according to claim 2, wherein the hole transport layer is made of a material selected from the group consisting of poly(3,4-ethylenedioxythiophene) (PEDOT)/polystyrene para-sulfonate (PSS) derivatives, poly-N-vinylcarbazole derivatives, polyphenylenevinylene derivatives, polyparaphenylene derivatives, polymethacrylate derivatives, poly(9,9-octylfluorene) derivatives, poly(spiro-fluorene) derivatives, N,N'-diphenyl-N,N'-bis(3-methylphenyl)-(1,1'-biphenyl)-4,4'-diamine (TPD), N,N'-di(naphthalene-1-yl)-N,N'-diphenyl-benzidine (NPB), tris(3-methylphenylphenylamino)-triphenylamine (m-MTDATA), and poly(9,9'-dioctylfluorene-co-N-(4-butylphenyl)diphenylamine (TFB).